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Sunday School Lesson

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Lesson for August 12

THE COUNCIL AT JERUSALEM

LESSON TEXT—Acts 15:1-35.
GOLDEN TEXT—If the Son shall make you free ye shall be free indeed
PRIMARY TOPIC—God's Children Refuse to Quarrel.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Christians Consulting Together.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Paul Opposes Religious Prejudices
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Paul Stands for Christian Liberty

I. The Controversy in the Church at Antioch (vv. 1-5).

This difficulty was a most serious one, for it threatened the disruption of the church into Jewish and Gentile divisions. It was not a question of the admission of the Gentiles into the church. That had been settled some years before when Peter received Cornelius and his household. The question now was, on what ground can they be received? Should Gentile converts be required to keep the Mosaic law as a condition of salvation? This issue was brought on by the coming of certain men from Jerusalem, who declared, "Except ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved (v. 1)." The question was so difficult that Paul and Barnabas were unable to put them to silence. These Jewish legalists had the letter of the Scriptures on their side. They could point to the command where this was enjoined upon believers (Gen. 17:14). Paul could not point to any Scripture where it had been abrogated. If Paul could plead that Abraham was justified before he was circumcised, his antagonists could answer, "Yes, but after justification the rite was divinely imposed." The brethren at Antioch decided to refer the matter to the church at Jerusalem. Accordingly Paul and Barnabas and others were sent as a deputation to Jerusalem.

II. The Deliberations of the Council (vv. 6-21).

1. Peter's speech (vv. 6-11).

He argued that God had borne witness to His acceptance of the Gentiles by giving the Holy Spirit to them as unto the Jews (Acts 10:34-47). Since therefore, God had not put a difference it would be folly for them to do so.

2. Paul and Barnabas rehearse their experience (v. 12).

They told how that God had set His seal of approval on their preaching of salvation by grace through faith apart from works, by the working of signs and wonders through them.

3. The argument of James (vv. 14-21).

He took the fact declared by Peter and showed how it harmonized with the prophecy of Amos (Amos 9:11-15). He showed that the reception of the Gentiles was not in conflict but in strict harmony with God's plan. As set forth in James' speech, God's plan is as follows:

(1) To take out from among the Gentiles a people for His name (v. 14). This is what is now going on, the preaching of the gospel to the end of the earth, and the calling out of the church.

(2) After the church is completed and removed, the Israelitish nation will be converted and restored to their land and privileges by the Lord Himself at His return (vv. 16, 17).

(3) Following this will be the conversion of the world through the agency of converted Israel (v. 17, cf. Rom. 11:15). He showed that there is no conflict when the Scriptures are rightly divided. His judgment was that the Gentiles should not be troubled with things that are Jewish, but should be warned to "abstain from pollutions of idols, and from fornication, and from things strangled, and from blood."

III. The Decision (vv. 22-29).

The Jerusalem church came to a unanimous agreement and accepted the resolution offered by James. They not only sent a letter stating the decision of the conference, but took the wise precaution of sending influential men along with Paul and Barnabas to bear the same testimony by word of mouth. This letter denied the authority of the Judaizing teachers (v. 24), and declared the method by which this decision had been reached (vv. 25-27). The Holy Spirit was to be given first place, and the Gentile believers were instructed to abstain from meats offered to idols, from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication.

IV. The Decision Delivered to the Church (vv. 30-35).

The church was called together to hear the report. Its reading brought rejoicing. They were now free to prosecute the great missionary work

Knowing How to Pray

The life of a man upon earth is a warfare; and it is much better, in the midst of enemies and dangers, to be acquainted with one fortress than with many inns. He that knows how to pray may be pressed, but cannot be overwhelmed.—Robert Leighton.

Enemies Hard to Fight

It will require more than a few hours of fasting and prayer to cast out such demons as selfishness, worldliness, and unbelief.—F. L. Cayler.

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FOREST VIEW

We are having some very, very hot days. The rains last Saturday afternoon and night has revived the vegetation and it is looking good.

Mr. Walter Jordan and a friend of his motored from Md. and spent Sunday and Sunday night in the home of T. H. Ford recently. Mr. Jordan's father, brothers and sisters met him there Sunday as he was not off duty long enough to visit in Charlotte county. His wife and two children who have been spending some time with her parents, accompanied him back home in Md.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Nash and children visited her sister, Mrs. Beasley, at Hollywood recently.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Shield and two sons, Wilbur Jr. and Bobbie, of Columbus, Ohio, are spending their vacation in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Martin. They in company with Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Miss Bessie Martin and Mrs. Annie Odor have been visitors in the homes of Mrs. B. C. Sims near Evergreen, Mrs. M. W. Hunter, of Gladstone and J. A. Martin, also T. H. and W. L. Ford. They leave this week for their home in Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Marshall of Portsmouth, Ohio, have been visitors in the home of T. H. Ford, N. D. and E. H. Marshall.

Mrs. Loyd Nash of Lynchburg, visited her children Sunday in the home of T. J. Nash.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Shields, of Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Martin, Mrs. M. W. Hunter and Mrs. Annie Odor visited in the home of Nuzz Ford near Lynchburg Monday.

Mr. B. C. Simms and family spent last Sunday in the home of R. W. Martin.

We were sorry to hear of the death of our esteemed citizen S. P. Coleman. The family has the sympathy of a lot of friends in their bereavement — and may the Lord be with them.

Mrs. M. W. Hunter, of Gladstone, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Martin.

Wilber Shields, Jr., Bobbie Shields, Miss Bessie Martin and Mrs. Annie Odor attended the lawn party at Wesley Chapel last Saturday night. They were accompanied home by Mr. Hampton Hunter, who spent the day Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Jones and two children, of Hopewell, have been visiting in the home of Z. M. Jones and other relatives.

ROCKS NEWS

The baseball score Saturday between Rocks and Cub Creek was 3 to 1 in favor of Cub Creek. They will play at Evergreen August 18th in the afternoon and wish to invite everyone to attend. After the ball game there will be a lawn party on the lawn of J. H. Inge for benefit of Rocks church. Everyone come to the lawn party as well as to the ball game.

Mr. and Mrs. Rhomy Wilson of Fredericksburg, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Ranson and Miss Vara Hamilton of Lynchburg, and others visited Mrs. J. R. Ranson Sunday.

Messrs. Robert Roach and Lewis Meadows of Roanoke, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Roach. Mr. Roach was accompanied home Sunday by his wife and children

Mr. Ved Almond and little daughter, Esther, and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Stone visited Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Almond last week.

Mrs. Hubert Martin and Miss Emma Ranson motored to Lynchburg Sunday with Mr. Hubert Martin and will spend a few days in Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Dinkins, Misses Annie and Gertrude Ranson, Mr. Blass Ranson and Emmett and James Dinkins attended the Farmers Institute at Blacksburg last week. On their way home, at Willowdale Tearoom, Miss Gertrude Ranson was struck by an automobile and knocked down, her injuries are not so many we are glad to say otherwise they report a fine time.

On July 30th Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Paulett, little Jessie Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Inge and children, of near Evergreen, and Mrs. Harvey Robinson, of Littleton, N. C., visited Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Paulett. Regular old Virginia hospitality was shown by both Mr. and Mrs. Paulett.

Mrs. William McGarrell died Friday night after a long illness, her son, James, of Roanoke, had been with her a while before she died. She leaves to mourn their loss the one son and her husband, who lives near Pamplin. Much sympathy is expressed for them in their bereavement.

There was a very refreshing rain in this vicinity Saturday, for which we are thankful.

Stapleton

The Ladies Aid Society of Trinity church met with a picnic dinner at the home of Mr. J. B. Whitehead on Saturday, August 4th, and celebrated his mother, Mrs. Lucy A. Whitehead's 92nd birthday. There were 66 present and four generations were represented in two families. In the afternoon there was much music and singing, which was greatly enjoyed by all, especially the older ones, who are not able to get around much.

The many friends of Mr. S. R. Martin will be glad to know that he attended Sunday School Sunday for the first time since his illness and operation.

We are glad to report that Mrs. T. M. Taylor is much improved and attended the revival at Trinity one night also picnic at Mrs. Whiteheads.

Mrs. A. F. Drinkard and daughter, Louise, were over this week to see Miss Lina Carson, who has been quite sick. They report she is much better.

Messrs. A. B. and E. L. Chick had as their guests this week their sister, Mrs. A. F. Drinkard and daughter, Louise.

The revival recently held at Trinity church, conducted by Rev. D. G. Trent, of Appomattox, was much enjoyed and we feel the community as well as the church was benefited by the sermons so ably delivered.

An Epworth League has recently been organized at Trinity church which we hope will be a great help to the community.

Mr. T. M. Martin accompanied some of his friends to Norfolk last week-end.

Mr. Milton Isbell looks quite sporty driving around in his new Dodge.

There will be a lawn party at Trinity church Saturday, August 18th, beginning at 5 o'clock. Don't forget the date. Everybody invited.

Snake Belief a Myth

There is a small, harmless reptile of the more southerly United States which is called a hoop snake. And it takes its name from the notion that it curves itself in a hoop and thus travels along at a great rate of speed. But the idea is without the least foundation, and the tales of rolling hoop snakes are merely mythical.

Valley Forge Stamps

The Valley Forge commemorative stamp was first placed on sale May 26 at the post offices at Valley Forge, Philadelphia, Lancaster, Norristown and West Chester, Pa. and Wasting ton, D. C. Forth more, on account of the Mid western philatelic exhibition at Cleveland, it was decided to include the sale of this stamp at Cleveland on May 26, the last day of the exhibition.

"Hooking" Airplanes

On aircraft carriers wires are stretched across the deck of the ship An airplane landing on such a deck is equipped with a long hook which is dropped from the plane and catches in the wires, thus bringing the plane to a stop.

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PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Higginbotham have another girl baby.

There will be a lawn party at Wesley Chapel Church Saturday, August 4th, beginning at 5 o.clock.

Miss Earle Patteson accompanied by Miss Allie Marks, of Lynchburg, spent the week-end at her home here.

Saturday's ball game between Phenix and Appomattox resulted in a wallop for the home team. Possibly Appomattox is resting upon her laurels

There are said to be some pretty swimmers who frequent the beach at Appomattox. Our beach is getting to be a popular resort for old and young.

The town's street force is doing some good work under the supervision of Councilman Cawthorn, Sergeant Coleman and foreman Martin.

There will be a market at Appomattox, Va., for Primings this season. Save good ones and bring them to Appomattox market.

Mrs. G. L. Furr and daughter, of Bluefield, W. Va., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Ferguson, at Old Court House.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Caldwell have received the following announcement: Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Marshall, of Charleston, W. Va., announce the arrival of a son, July 23, 1928, named Benjamin Hunter.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Herzog and son, Elmer, of Clarksboro, N. J., Mr. and Mrs. John S. Spencer and son, John, Jr., of Lynchburg, spent Sunday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Mitchell.

The play "In Old New England" will be given at the Evergreen school house, Saturday, August 4th, at 8 o'clock. Proceeds for benefit of building and of Baptist church. Admission 25c and 15c.

C. D. Lloyd has secured storage on main street here, where he will open restaurant on the 15th instant. Ewen Mitchell will be with him. Mr. Lloyd's home is at Spout Spring.

Mrs. H. B. Foster and child of Elizabethtown, N. C., Mrs. R. A. Steffans and children of Miami, Fla., are visiting their parents near Vera. They leave for their respective homes next week. They will be accompanied as far as Elizabethtown by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Kinney, and Judson Kinney, who will spend a few days visiting Mrs. Foster and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Nowlin and two daughters, Harriet and Ann, of Greensboro, N. C., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Stephen. Miss Virginia High, of Lynchburg, is the guest of Miss Margaret Robertson. Miss Myrn Robertson has returned home after spending two weeks in Greensboro, N. C. While there she attended the wedding of Miss Frances Nowlin to Mr. Cates.

Mr. J. E. Thacker, assisted by his wife and Rev. W. L. Shields is conducting a series of meetings at the Baptist Church and all the churches in the county are uniting in the meeting. Rocks is directing the music. Mr. Thacker is a forceful speaker and his audience grows in interest each evening. Mrs. Thacker conducts the morning hour and she is truly wonderful in addresses and has capable church-goers of our county. Services will be continued through August 12th.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewen Mitchell are the happy parents of a darling baby boy.

Farms for Rent—I have several good farms for rent in Appomattox County. 7-26-2t

J. W. FLOOD.

South Side

Miss Anna Ferguson is spending this week with her brother in Lynchburg.

Mrs. W. R. Cheadle and daughter, Anna, of Prospect, are spending this week with her sister, Mrs. A. B. Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Odor and family, of Lynchburg, spent Sunday with Mrs. T. W. Odor.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Chernault and Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Coleman and family, of Lynchburg, spent Sunday with Mrs. A. E. Coleman.

Misses Juddie Ferguson, Anna Cheadle and Mr. Douglas Harris spent Wednesday with Miss Virginia Moore over on James river.

Mr. M. H. Coleman and daughter, Beatrice, of Washington, D. C., spent Tuesday with his sister, Mrs. A. B. Ferguson.

SPOUT SPRING

Miss Billy Epps is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Marshall.

Miss Ellen Dickerson of Crewe, is spending her vacation with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dickerson have returned home after a pleasant vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Davidson and Mrs. Mary Brooks, of Lynchburg, spent last week with their sister, Mrs. L. E. Martin.

Mr. Perkine Bates is erecting a handsome cottage near here. We are glad to welcome Mr. Bates back to his grandmother's old home.

Our community was saddened last week by the death of Mr. Lawrence Mann. Much sympathy is expressed for the widow and little children.

Mrs. Mary Ford of Roanoke, is visiting her cousin, W. A. Moon.

Our crops and gardens are much in need of rain at present.

Mrs. Ed Chamberlain has returned to her home in Roanoke, after a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. H. S. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Marshall and son, Eugene, of Portsmouth, Ohio, have returned home after visiting friends and relatives here.

Misses Grace Caldwell and Eula Howerton have returned from a visit to the former's sister, Mrs. E. M. Schaubach and Mrs. W. D. Marshall. Mr. Richard Webb, Miss Billy Epps and Gardner Woodward motored down to Crewe for the week-end to visit in the same homes and were entertained at home by the parties mentioned above.

Mr. H. B. Marshall is visiting relatives and friends in Crewe.

Mr. W. H. Furbush has returned to his home in Norfolk, after spending some time in the home of his cousin, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Caldwell, Sr.

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J. B. Nowlin Plaintiff
against
Hattie Nowlin and ..... Foster, John Nowlin, Jackson Nowlin, Jr., Rosie Nowlin, Jessie Trent and K. H. Trent, her husband, and others, Defendants
The object of this suit is to have partition of the land described in the bill filed in the Appomattox Circuit, Virginia, affecting the lands of W. H. S. Barlow and others containing 12 1-2 acres, by one of the modes provided by law.
And it appearing that writ having been made and filed that the defendants, Rosa Foster and ..... Foster, her husband, John Nowlin, Jackson Nowlin, Jr., Rosie Nowlin, and Jessie Trent and K. H. Trent are not residents of this Commonwealth: It is ordered that they do appear within the days after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary to protect their interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Times-Virginian, a newspaper published in the county of Appomattox, that a copy be posted at the front door of the court-house of this county on or before the first day of the next term following the next succeeding term day after this order was entered, and that the Clerk mail a copy hereof to each of the said defendants to his post-office address given in the affidavit herein and file an affidavit of this fact in the papers of this cause.
A copy—Teste: C. W. SMITH, Clerk.
A. H. Clement, p-q 8-2-3t

SHIP CAPTAIN, 98, HAS TROD DECK 86 YEARS

Went to Sea When He Was Twelve Years Old.

St. Albans, Vt.—Capt. Eli B. Rockwell, who observed his ninety-eighth birthday at the home of his daughter, Mary E. Carpenter, here last February 16, and is reputed to be the oldest active steamboat captain in the world, has another season's work begun as skipper of a steamboat on Lake Champlain.

Captain Rockwell's ambition is to round out 88 years of service as a sailor on Lake Champlain. This he will do, he vows, if he lives to be one hundred.

"I do not spend too much time in reviewing the past," he said, "but look forward to the future. Even with 98 years behind me, I am planning for the future. Do you know what my plans are?" he inquired.

Receiving no for an answer, he said: "Well, it is to spend at least two years more in the pilot house of the Vermont" (the steamer he commands).

Although the captain was ill with tonsilitis last winter, he has fully recovered and is out every day for a walk. In the winter he helps shovel the snow from the walk in front of his daughter's home. "I must keep in trim," he says.

First Century Hardest.

He appears to be in splendid health. "If I continue to feel as spry as I do today I will reach the first century mark, which is the hardest," he chuckled. "Then I plan to take life a bit easy the next hundred years."

He paid high tribute to Lindbergh, whom he considers the greatest navigator that ever sailed uncharted seas.

"The Presidential campaign interests me deeply," he continued. "I am no prophet and not politically versed enough to make any forecast. The radio, which I enjoy many hours a day, is something uncanny. I wonder if Babe Ruth will break his home-run record another year."

"We should be a little more spiritually inclined," the captain believes, "and show appreciation for the wonderful opportunities offered us. We should have more faith in the young folks. They are living up to the spirit of the times, but underneath all this apparent nonchalance to our ideals they really have their own standards, which are indeed as high and mighty as their forefathers."

Captain Rockwell left his home at North Hero, Vt., when twelve, and shipped on a two-masted schooner that plied the waters of Lake Champlain between St. Johns, Que., and Whitehall, N. Y. One night during a severe storm, while he was aboard the Cynthia, he was knocked overboard and nearly drowned before his brother, who was captain of the lumber-carrying boat, could come to his aid.

A Pilot for Seventy-One Years.

Seventy-one years ago Captain Rockwell took out his first pilot's license. He was pilot of the steamer Canada. At that time the pilot was really master of the boat, as the captain did only clerical work. Captain Rockwell recollects.

During his first year as pilot Captain Rockwell performed his first lifesaving act. A man fell overboard while the boat was docked in St. Albans bay and he went over after him and brought him safely aboard.

In 1893 the captain's quick thinking probably saved 125 lives. He was then pilot of the steamer Adirondack. One night a fire started in the boiler room. He rushed in and, realizing that the small stream of water from the pump would not have much effect on the fire, turned the hose on the hot boiler, which created enough steam to extinguish the flames.

During his 83 years of active service on the lake, Captain Rockwell's record has been perfect, not one black mark being checked against his name. He has held the rank of captain more than forty years and has been captain of the Vermont III since it was built, 27 years ago.

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Justice Is Vengeance Even in New China

Shanghai, China. — The primitive conception of criminal justice as vengeance, as an appeasement of the criminal's victim, survives strongly even in Nationalist China, with its codes of modern pattern. There was a very spectacular illustration of this recently in Nanking, the Nationalist capital.

A policeman was killed by a robber, who was caught and sentenced to death. A memorial service for the dead policeman was staged. The mayor of Nanking presided and offered sacrifices before the bier.

Hsueh Tu-pi, Nationalist minister of the interior, eulogized the dead man's devotion to duty. The service was concluded with the decapitation of the condemned robber in sight of the gathering.

If You're Shy 96 Cents Show This to the Wife

Washington.—Americans are 96 cents poorer per capita this year than they were last year, but they are $5.60 richer than they were in 1914.

Treasury records made public show that the per capita wealth of the United States, based on an estimated population of 118,304,000 on June 30, the end of the 1928 fiscal year, was $460.52, compared with $41.46 for 1927 and $34.92 for 1914.

Steel in Autos

The steel industry gives 14 per cent or nearly 5,900,000 tons, of its product to the automotive industry each year in finished rolled iron and steel.

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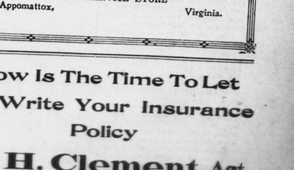

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